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## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Previously Presented) A removable paint formulation comprising zinc oxide, water and an adjuvant;

wherein the adjuvant comprises synthetic latex surfactants and organosilicone surfactants;

wherein the removable paint formulation is non-phytotoxic and the paint can be removed without harming or discoloring the surface to which it was applied.

- 2. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the adjuvant is a spray adjuvant.
- 3. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the adjuvant is a non-ionic spreader/sticker.
- 4. (Canceled).
- 5. (Previously Presented) A removable paint formulation comprising zinc oxide, water and an adjuvant the adjuvant comprising alkanolamine surfactants, alkylaryl polyethanol sulfates, and 1,2-propanediol; wherein the adjuvant is a non-ionic spreader/sticker.
- 6. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the zinc oxide is present in a range of 10% to 30%.
- 7. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the zinc oxide is present at a concentration of about 20%.
- 8. (Canceled).

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9. (Original) The paint of claim 1, further comprising a colored pigment.

10. (Original) The paint of claim 1, further comprising a propellant.

11. (Original) The paint of claim 10, wherein the propellant is condensed air or CO<sub>2</sub>.

12. (Original) The paint of claim 10, wherein the propellant does not adversely react with the

film-forming properties of the paint when sprayed onto a surface.

13. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the paint lacks an organic solvent.

14. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the paint is rainfast.

15. (Canceled).

16. (Original) The paint of claim 1, wherein the paint can be deposited temporarily on a plant

or non-living surface.

17. (Previously Presented) A paint formulation, comprising zinc oxide, water, and an

adjuvant, wherein the paint is rainfast and wherein the paint can be removed without harming or

discoloring the surface to which it was applied and wherein the adjuvant comprises di-1-p-

menthene.

18-37. (Canceled)

38. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the adjuvant is a spray adjuvant.

39. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the adjuvant is a non-ionic

spreader/sticker.

40. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the zinc oxide is present in a range

of 10% to 30%.

41. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the zinc oxide is present at a

concentration of about 20%.

42. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, further comprising a colored pigment.

43. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, further comprising a propellant.

44. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 43, wherein the propellant is condensed air or

 $CO_2$ .

45. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 43, wherein the propellant does not adversely

react with the film-forming properties of the paint when sprayed onto a surface.

46. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the paint lacks an organic solvent.

47. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the paint is rainfast.

48. (Previously Presented) The paint of claim 5, wherein the paint can be deposited

temporarily on a plant or non-living surface.

49. (Previously Presented) A paint formulation, comprising zinc oxide, water, and an

adjuvant, wherein the paint is rainfast and wherein the paint can be removed without harming or

discoloring the surface to which it was applied and wherein the adjuvant comprises a polymer of

 $\alpha$ -pinene.